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Alpha Delta Pi's fifth annual "Girls Fight Back" will be held at 7 p.m. today in the Barfield Drawing Room of the SUB; Alpha Delta Pi and Baylor Panhellenic invite the Baylor campus to attend a free, interactive workshop designed to provide self-defense tips for women

#### Jazz kickoff

The Baylor Jazz Ensemble will perform its first concert of the semester at 7:30 p.m. today in Jones Concert Hall of the Glennis McCrary Music Building

#### **Acoustic Cafe**

Acoustic Café, hosted twice a semester by the Office of Campus Programs, is at 8 p.m. today in the SUB Den; students will perform original music at this free event

#### Fall Premiere

Fall Premiere allows high school students, transfer students and their parents to explore the Baylor campus and meet current students and Baylor professors and will be happening all day Saturday throughout campus

#### Soccer match

Women's soccer will face Stephen F. Austin at 3 p.m. Sunday at Parker Brothers Sport Complex on La Salle Avenue

# Senators lobby for storm aid

By Sara Tirrito Staff Writer

U.S. Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn put their voices behind Texas' effort to get a presidential disaster declaration for 13 counties that suffered flood damage from Tropical Storm Hermine by sending a letter to President Barack Obama on Wednesday.

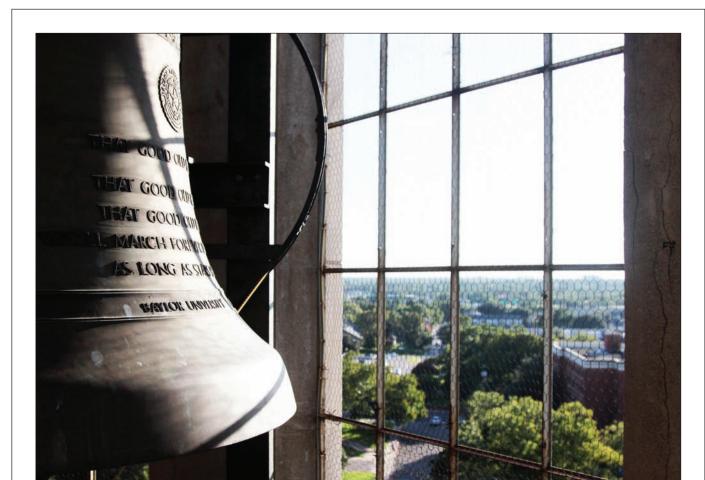
"Tragically, this storm claimed the lives of eight Texans and disrupted communities throughout our state," Hutchison and Cornyn wrote in their letter.

"It is crucial for victims of Hermine to receive federal assistance, which may be enabled through a Presidential disaster declaration."

The 13 Texas counties are Bell, Blanco, Cameron, Coryell, Denton, Hill, Jim Wells, Johnson, Medina, Tarrant, Travis, Willacy and Williamson. Bell, Coryell and Hill border McLennan County, where Waco is located.

J. P. DeMeritt, Heart of Texas

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#### For BU the bell tolls

The bells that hang in Pat Neff Hall are adorned with lyrics from "That Good Old Baylor Line." The bells can be heard chiming throughout the day across campus.

# Waco, students react to recession

# Report finds reasons for hope, growth

By Carmen Galvan Staff Writer

Despite declining values in the housing construction, home sales and consumer spending markets, Waco hopes to increase its economic growth after reaching its lowest point since 2007 in February 2010, according to a report from Wednesday's Economic Index Media Conference.

Representatives from the Waco real estate and construction industries attended the news conference hosted by the First National Bank of Central Texas and the Waco Tribune-Herald in order to receive an updated economic report compiled by Karr Ingham, a professional economist and owner of

Ingham Economic Reporting.

Although Ingham was not present to introduce his findings, Sarah Roberts, senior vice president of economic development for the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce, summarized the report and



moderated discussion among participants.

Waco officially entered its recession in September 2008 and saw a 6.3 percent economic decline until February 2010, Roberts said. Since then, Waco has steadily moved out of its recession.

However, last month Waco experienced a 0.6 percent decline because of a fall in the value of building permits. This drop signifies a lower number of work proj-

ects requiring permits within the

industrial and medical sectors.

Roberts reassured participants with Ingham's economic analysis, which states that "the decline in 2010 is not terribly surprising in light of the strong growth in 2008 and 2009, which would suggest a natural cyclical retreat, in addition to the generally sluggish condition of the Waco economy."

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# Despite recovery, students prepare for tough job search

By Wakeelah Crutison Copy Editor

Most people endure high school and tolerate college in hopes of finally getting their dream job. Since December 2007, the economic recession has put a damper on the aspirations of many new graduates.

According to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the recession ended in June 2009, closing the door on an 18-month economic downturn. But according to some economists, the economy is far from full recovery.

With a current unemployment rate of 9.6 percent, students entering the work force will still have plenty of competition even with the lack of continual economic

"Baylor students are facing a difficult job market," Dr. Stephen Gardner, chairman of the economics department, said. "Education will prepare them well to compete in the job market. Plus, by the time they're done with grad school, the

market will have more time to straighten out."

Gardner said students who plan on going to graduate school will have more time to prepare to venture into the job market, while students who plan on working after graduation need to prepare now

"If students plan to go straight into the job market, they have to give a lot more thought to their job search," Gardner said. "When the economy's not so strong, students need to be preparing along the way."

Granbury senior Brandi Moore, an accounting major, is skeptical of the new economic period of expansion.

"I'm graduating soon, and I'm still a little weary of the economy and how it will affect my job search," Moore said. "I don't think the economy is as stimulated as they think. It's still not that great of

an economy."

Moore said she plans to forgo

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Makenzie Mason | Lariat Photographe

No. 43 kicker Aaron Jones kicks a field goal as No. 13 quarterback Brody Trahan holds against Buffalo on Sept. 11.

# Kicker Jones aces field goals with cool nerves, lucky socks

By Matt Larsen Sports Writer

Calm, cool and collected. Three qualities you want in your president, accountant and also your kicker.

When Baylor football coach Art Briles went in search of a starting kicker this past spring after junior kicker Ben Parks injured his back, he settled on a guy he says fits all three.

"It's a good advantage to have, knowing that whenever you get inside the opponent's 30-yard line you are going to put three points on the board, which has been the case a couple of times this year so far," Briles said.

A redshirt freshman from Crowley, Aaron Jones is five of six on field goals and has hit all nine extra points thus far for the Bears. Possibly his most noteworthy kick came this past weekend on the road against No. 4 TCU, when he nailed a 48-yarder to put the Bears on the board.

"It felt real good," he said of the kick. "I had hoped it might spur our team on to greater things. It was only 14-3 at that point. It was great to be close to home and play in front of an opposing crowd."

Jones entered Baylor as a preferred walk-on, meaning he was recruited to come kick for the Bears but didn't immediately receive a scholarship.

After earning the starting job this past spring, the 6-2, 175-pound former soccer player nicknamed "Stork" by his head coach also earned himself a foot-

coach also earned himself a football scholarship.

The long field goal against

TCU is the most recent of Jones'

kicks, but he also hit another 48-yarder Sept. 11 against Buffalo.

Though Jones seems to have

a knack for 48-yard kicks, he actually won the spot in Baylor's spring game with an even longer boot of 53 yards.

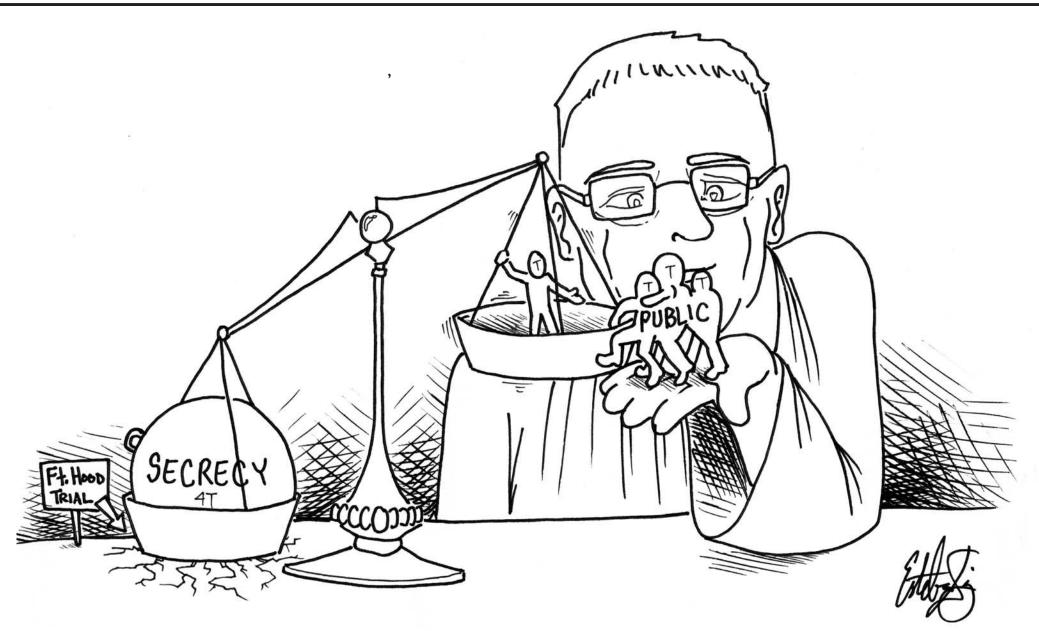
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"That really just cemented it in my mind and I think in a lot of the coaches' and players' minds, too," Jones said of snagging the starting job.

Even before the kick, Jones felt good about his chances. According to his holder, fellow redshirt freshman Brody Trahan, Jones' confidence probably came from the kicking competitions held during the spring practices.

"Before the spring game, we would come out every day and

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# Fort Hood trial should stay open to public

n Sept. 16, a military official ruled in favor of keeping open to the public the hearing outlining evidence against U.S. Army Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan regarding the mass shooting that occurred on Nov. 5, 2009, at Fort Hood in Killeen.

Hasan is accused of killing 13 people and injuring 32 people.

Col. James L. Pohl, the military judge acting as the investigating officer, said keeping open the Oct. 12 hearing, which will be held at Fort Hood, would preserve the integrity of the military justice system.

The right decision was made in al-

lowing the public to be present for the hearing.

The shooting has affected many lives of Central Texas residents, and they should be allowed to witness the trial surrounding such an impactful event.

Pohl plans to have the 32 people who were injured during the shooting testify at the trial.

It is important for the public to be able to hear what those who were injured have to say about the incident. With a shooting of that magnitude occurring on a military base that has housed so many of America's fighters, a public hearing is the only fair choice.

The open hearing would foster a more knowledgeable public concerning the events that took place on Nov. 5.

John Galligan, an attorney for Hasan, hoped to have a closed hearing, saying that allowing the public to hear the testimony of 32 people would cause more pretrial publicity, resulting in an unfair trial for his client. Now that a public hearing has been confirmed, Galligan said he plans to appeal the ruling in hopes of closing the hearing.

Galligan holds that a public hearing would hinder Hasan's right to a fair trial by compromising the jury pool in Killeen. However, the more information

a potential jury pool has, the more fair an outcome will likely be. The evidence that will be outlined in the trial is pertinent information to both the families of the shooting victims and the general public

Having the public present at the hearing would not, as Galligan stated, lead to an unfair trial for Hasan. On the contrary, having the hearing closed would likely result in more public concern since people would not be allowed to hear what occurred in the hearing.

The public would also be unable to hear the testimony of those who were victims in the event, who could help

them better understand the incident and the events that surrounded that day.

The tragedy at Fort Hood greatly affected the citizens of Central Texas — and America as a whole.

Transparency in this case would also allow for the proper treatment of the gravity of the shooting because though we were not all directly involved with the incident, we were all intensely invested in the care and safety its victims.

Keeping this trial in the public eye allows truth to emanate while the world learns what happened that ill-fated day.

## Undecided future not cause for panic

Recently I have found myself overwhelmed with thoughts of my future. I wonder if I am walking in the right direction, and I wonder where life will lead after Baylor.

Should I continue school or try to find a job? Add in some stress from day-to-day school and work, and you have one frustrated and slightly over-emotional Baylor Bear. I'm sure many of us can relate to this at some point in our college careers.

However, I have realized something this past week. I have realized that it is important to the preservation of our sanity to stop, breathe and admire the beauty of the world around us.

It may be difficult to make time for this, since we all know that college does not seem to schedule in free time, but it is without a doubt a critical part of living a full life of happiness and rejoicing.

Never do I realize this more than when I am writing. Many



Carmen Galvan | Staff writ

of my stories are centered on the Waco community, and while researching and interviewing I cannot help but to see all that Waco has to offer.

I am rather humbled as I watch the compassion displayed by the community when it reaches out to its poverty-stricken members, and I somehow find my worries drift away as I simply drive through Cameron

Park, marveling at the wondrous creation that God has placed all around us in the form of sky, earth and the brotherhood of fel-

Reflecting on even these simplest pleasures of life has helped me realize its beauty.

I recall a close friend telling me that she had an amazing revelation about life one day in high school. As she says, "I just woke up one morning and I realized

that the world is beautiful."

Well, I have made this realization as well, and I am determined to revel in the perfection and beauty of creation rather than obsess over the unnecessary

stress and frustration.

It is no doubt difficult to let go and enjoy life for a minute, as most students, including myself, are striving for academic success and wish to remain focused on assignments and tests. However, think of it in this way: You will become more focused after receiving the grace of God through

the beauty of nature.

I would encourage all those reading to do the same and to spread the word. Enjoy the life God has given us.

Don't panic because you are still "undecided" about your life, don't overstress because it's already midnight and your homework is due at 8 a.m.

Simply stop, take a deep breath, and take just one minute to look around you and smile at the blessing of being a Baylor Bear on such a beautiful campus of fellowship.

Then say a prayer for strength and guidance, and continue onward. If God has brought you this far, He can undoubtedly continue guiding you forward.

And so, walk proudly through campus and life as a Baylor Bear and as a child of God. Just watch out for the squirrels.

Carmen Galvan is a junior public relations major from Baytown and a staff writer for The Lariat.

#### **Lariat Letters**

#### Mending the BAA, BU relationship

I am very excited about President [Ken] Starr's first steps at Baylor and as an alumni want to support him as well as students. The latest appeal and contribution by Starr to the new goal of \$100 million for student scholarships is a great goal. If President Starr wants to meet that goal, he should start by mending fences with the BAA. Until he understands that Baylor regents have created and forced this divide, many Baylor alumni will not support him or Baylor with their money. Alumni contributions have dropped from 29 percent several years ago to 6.8 percent today. As long as Baylor continues to have two groups, Baylor Alumni Association (organized in 1858) and Baylor Alumni (organized in 2010 to replace the BAA), there will not be unity among the alumni. Alumni supporting the BAA are not being close-minded and are not against change. I and many other alumni who align ourselves with the BAA are against the following things.

1. Increased debt created by the board is being paid for by student tuition and has caused tuition to increase every year.

2. The regents' campaign to force the BAA to come under the control of the board, including all editorial control of The Baylor Line, in an effort to eliminate any objective or differing views held by those in

3. Baylor's board of regents does not use acceptable best practices for governance in higher education, including current conflicts of interest, lack of transparency about Baylor's financial condition, not abiding by their fiduciary duty of loyalty to Baylor by marginalizing and disregarding the BAA as well as neglect of their fiduciary duty of care with wasteful spending and unchecked decisions.

4. The board of regents should not be self-sustaining without any accountability to students, faculty or alumni. We are naive if we think men in powerful positions do not need to be accountable to those they govern. To solve the immediate problem of rising tuition, we must look to the source of the problem before we can fix the problem.

Everyone may be tired of hearing about the regents and the BAA, but when the regents continue to marginalize the BAA (even to the unprofessional low of making their logo and design indistinguishable from that of the BAA), the problem continues. Get rid of the real problem and alumni will come back with money for the Baylor we love so much.

- Sheryn Jones, '69

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# Freshman Follies works toward 'green' fun

#### StuFu collects canned goods, clothes

By TJ Jones REPORTER

Student Foundation's Freshman Follies event will go green this year in an effort to make another one of Baylor's traditions an eco-friendly

"[Freshman Follies] is an event we hold every year for Freshman. We want an event for them to feel tied to campus and to get to know who Student Foundation is," Lizzy Davis, director of Student Foundation, said.

"Every year we theme it, have lots of food and come up with games involving the food."

Student Foundation is working with sustainability coordinator Smith Getterman and Baylor sustainability to help turn the Freshman tradition into a no-waste

"We are encouraging people to wear clothes in layers. We are aware that generally people just throw the clothes that get messed up away," Getterman said.

After an event such as Freshman Follies, clothes will be in no shape to be immediately donated, as they will be extremely messy.

"When they get their clothes dirty, if they layer their clothes they can take that top layer and put it in a bin we will have," said Jenna Bullock, Houston senior and campus promotions co-chair for Student

Baylor Dining Services has volunteered to wash the clothes so they will be suitable to donate.

In addition to the clothing drive, Student Foundation will also have a canned-food drive at the food fight.

"This year we are asking that students bring a can of food with them when they come ... Just to encourage people to bring it so that we are giving back as well as having fun," Bullock said.

Davis said one of the criticisms that has been made over the years about Freshman Follies is that while it does provide a fun event for freshmen, a lot of food is used but not consumed.

"We kind of get a bad rap for using all this food," Davis said. "We are hoping that we can ask freshmen to bring a can of food that we can donate afterwards."

There is no organization in particular lined up to accept the donations, but once the final count is in on how many articles of clothing and how many cans of food were collected, Student Foundation will take the donations to a local char-

"The great thing about this year is with the cans of food and the opportunity to give back, it becomes an event where it's not a waste of food event. It's an opportunity for freshmen to have fun, meet each other and still give back to the Waco community," said Seabrook senior Michael Horne, campus promotions co-chair for Student

Freshman Follies will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Fountain Mall and will be superhero themed. For more information on Student Foundation or other upcoming events, visit the Student Foundation website at baylor.edu/ student foundation.



Dallas freshman Stephanie King-Brown slides through a mixture of different food toppings on Sept. 29, 2009, during Freshman Follies at Fountain Mall

# New seminar series focuses on workplace skills

By Meghan Hendrickson STAFF WRITER

Career Services provides ample opportunities for Baylor students to learn how to land a job, but learning how to excel in the workplace is a skill that has not previously been taught.

Kevin Nall, associate director for Career Services, believes Baylor needs to help students learn how to succeed once they are hired. To achieve this goal, Nall created Beyond Baylor, a career training program for Baylor students.

Jay Mathis, 1989 alumnus and founder of Mathis Training and Development Company, will facilitate a four-week series of seminars called Baylor Beyond. Mathis is

also a strategic partner and certified trainer with 360Solutions, an employee training and business consulting company.

"Beyond Baylor is a training program to equip students with the skills they need to go into the work force and to give them an advance on skills needed to apply," Mathis said. "Also, once they are in the job, being able to focus on communication, negotiating techniques, goal setting and conflict resolution [is valuable]."

The series begins Tuesday and will meet for the following three Tuesday nights.

The first week will focus on results-oriented communication. Nall said employers have expressed concerns with recent graduates in the workplace exhibiting very informal communication skills, such as e-mailing too much instead of meeting face-to-face.

The second session is meant to help students build confidence through negotiation. Employees are faced with negotiation in the workplace concerning business affairs, internal affairs, salary and projects.

The third week's lessons will instruct students on successful ways to deal with difficult people and difficult work situations. Nall points out that when students get a job, not everyone is going to be alike. The session will be centered on equipping students with the tools to navigate through tough situations.

The final seminar will enable students to discover and work toward their passion. An assessment will accompany the session and students will learn the value of not just taking a job, but being intentional about which jobs they pursue. This session will also welcome a guest speaker, Cyndy Davis, the senior vice president of human resources at Extraco banks in Waco.

"This is an excellent opportunity to make Baylor students more well-rounded and better able to relate to a team in the future," Colorado Springs, Colo., senior Brandon Wold, president of Delta Epsilon Iota, said. "Not many other schools are offering a program like

Academic honor society Delta

Epsilon Iota is partnering with the Beyond Baylor series, giving its members registration priority. However, this series is open to all Baylor students.

Four new sessions will be offered in the spring, and Nall said students will ideally participate in both the first and second semesters, but students who become interested later in the year will be welcome at the spring sessions.

"Ultimately, we hope students walk out of here feeling comfortable and confident they do have what it takes to move into a career and profession," Nall said. "We hope they will think more intentionally about what to do when they get the job, and this program will help them get noticed for the right reasons. Then, as they begin that base of professionalism, opportunities will be made available to them because they demonstrate that they know what they're doing and will benefit and be rewarded

Students interested in being a part of the Baylor Beyond series next semester should contact Career Services.

"We want students to walk away with real skills that they can apply right now to the process of searching for and obtaining their job after college," Mathis said. "We're encouraging them to go beyond the collegiate level with some real skills in getting a job and being ahead of the game in the work

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## Churches unite and volunteer

By IADE MARDIROSIAN STAFF WRITER

Area churches are banding together for a day of Gospel sharing through community work projects this Saturday, during the third annual ShareFest community work-

Terri Tippit, the board chairman for ShareFest Waco, says although many Waco area churches do a lot of service in the community, ShareFest is a unique opportunity to work in a larger capacity in the community.

"Individual churches all over Waco certainly do a lot of outreach into the community, but ShareFest specifically pools resources to make a larger impact by connecting and getting churches to work together to make a larger presence and impact," Tippit said.

The impact of ShareFest is twofold, with Tippit citing a positive impact on both the community and the churches involved.

"It is, one, an opportunity for individual churches to work together to partner with another congregation that they normally wouldn't," Tippit said. "Then, ultimately the greater impact is for people in the community to see the universal church actually up and doing something for the benefit of the city. To be able to say we are a part of a local church and this is what we are called to do is well received in the community."

Matt Reynolds, associate pastor at Fellowship Bible Church, cites two reasons for initially becoming involved with ShareFest when it first began in Waco three years ago.

"We wanted to show the practical love of Jesus Christ to the community through trying to meet the various needs that are in our community," Reynolds said.

"Second, we wanted to try and help our people get out of their comfort zones and get out there into our community and serve while sharing the gospel in a very tangible way."

Various projects are planned for Saturday, including resurfacing

a playground at a child development center, making repairs at an addiction rehab facility, helping with upkeep at an elderly residence, hosting a blood drive and assisting with food collection. Seven churches will be involved and more than 400 volunteers from those congregations will be working in the community.

John Nickell, a member of First Woodway Baptist Church, has participated in ShareFest all three years. He has worked on various projects, including building wheelchair ramps, painting houses and apartments, and landscaping and painting Waco public schools. This year he is working to put in basketball goals at a school and repairing sidewalks at a local church that has had flooding problems.

"[The response is] very positive," Nickell said. "In some cases it's a definite physical need and in other cases it's a spiritual uplifting that is met in the communities that we work in."

Most of the churches involved have been working with ShareFest since it began.

"[The churches] look forward to it every year because of the opportunity to work with other churches," Tippit said. "It's also an opportunity to do something that is really making a difference in the community."

The churches will meet at the Extraco Events Center at 8:30 a.m. for a brief worship service and prayer time -before heading out to various project sites. Volunteers will work until 2:30 p.m.

The ShareFest organization originated 10 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., and is now in cities all over the country. Tippit and her husband, along with another couple, decided to bring ShareFest to Waco after moving here five years

"The mission of ShareFest Waco is to mobilize the local church to meet the deepest needs of our city. We strongly believe it is the job of the local church to be on the front lines of meeting those needs," Tippit said.

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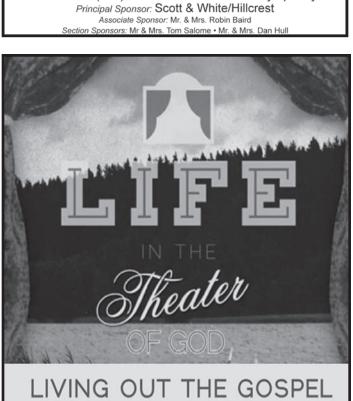
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# Musicians double as missionaries to Kenya

By Liz Appling REPORTER

Tonight the first of two interest meetings will be held for students who desire to participate in the School of Music's summer mission trip to Nairobi, Kenya.

Dr. Randall Bradley, the Ben H. Williams professor of music, will lead a team that will use the art of music to reach out to various communities in Africa.

> "We will use singing to build bridges, build relationships and encourage people."

Dr. Randall Bradley | Professor

"This team will reconnect with friends that we've made in Kenya in the past and people that we already have relationships with," Bradley said. "We will sing in schools, churches, public settings and orphanages."

Bradley went to Kenya in 2005 with the Baylor Men's Choir and went back again in 2007 with a group of mostly music students. The teams learned choral music and performed impromptu a cappella concerts everywhere they

Chris Pillsbury, a graduate student from Amarillo, said the group is going to be a choir that performs primarily without instruments, though there may be a guitar accompaniment.

Bradley said an advantage of performing with few or no instruments is that they "are able to sing wherever" they go.

"We are going to visit a place where refugee women sew and make things to sell to provide for their children. We'll sing while we're there and we'll share our mu-

Not only will the mission choir be singing for the Kenyans, but the Kenyans will be singing for the mission choir.

"Everyone in Kenya is musical. For them, it's a very internal, natuWant to sing in Kenya?

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ral thing," Jacob Sensenig, a graduate student from Bowling Green, Ky., said. Sensenig will be a student leader on the trip.

Pillsbury said this musical exchange is a way to join together and share cultures.

"Part of this choir is to share American culture with them as a sort of cultural dialogue because they will be singing for us as well," Pillsbury said.

The mission trip is not limited to music majors, but those interested should be able to sing, Brad-

"We will use singing to build bridges, build relationships and encourage people," Bradley said.

Swahili translators are essential to the trip because they will help the team communicate with Kenyans, including the singing of some American folk music.

The group will also work with translators at Baylor to help them sing several hymns in Swahili.

There's one particular piece that we're doing called 'The Word Was God' by Rosephanye Powell. It is a very rhythmic and engaging piece," Pillsbury said.

Bradley thinks of this trip as a way to give to the African community and participate in African culture.

In 2007, the group visited a remote village that was home to a Pokot tribe in the Baringo district of Kenya. While there, they saw extreme poverty as well as a noticeable decrease in the number of adolescent girls in schools because of arranged marriages following female genital mutilation.

The group now works with Zipporah and Daniel Sindiyo, a couple

Baylor students and professors sing to children on a May 2007 Africa trip.

that started two boarding schools intended to house and educate girls to keep them out of that cycle.

"The problem here is superstition in education. This way, these girls are provided a different way of life," Bradley said.

The group now supports several of the girls that come to the schools from the remote village.

A bulletin board on the first floor of Waco Hall East features pictures and letters from the girls. The group has supported the girls for three years now.

"It's a way that our team could do something," Bradley said. "One of the things we want to do on this trip is connect back with that same community and check in with the families of these girls that we are linked to."

The trip will take place from May 15 to May 30.

Those interested in participating should contact Bradley at Randall\_Bradley@baylor.edu or 254-

Ben Affleck, left, as Doug MacRay, and Jeremy Renner as Jem Coughlin star in the crime drama "The Town," from

## Lines of good, evil blurred in Ben Affleck's 'The Town'

By Cara Leigh Rogerson Contributor

I know what you're thinking. Saturated gray tones, machine guns, creepy masks, general melancholy...? This is a boy's movie. It has to be. A typical, masculine festival of cheerlessness, decorated with ribbons of blood and pain.

#### MOVIE REVIEW

Good news is that you're right. Greater news is that you're wrong. After a heist-gone-awry, Doug MacRay (Ben Affleck) and Jem Coughlin (Jeremy Renner) -

Boston's finest in criminal mischief — find themselves saddled with a hostage, young bank manager Claire Keesey (Rebecca Hall). Looking beyond murder or ransom, the thieves choose to simply release Claire back into town, unscathed but badly shaken.

Sounds easy enough, right? Well, therein lies their problem: Claire only lives four blocks from them. To ensure she remains oblivious of their identities, Mac-Ray decides to keep vigilant watch over her, and in the process, falls in love with her. The complexity of their relationship is barely realized before the FBI intercedes, further

tangling their lives, and strangling the bond between MacRay, Coughlin and their kin.

Based off Chuck Hogan's novel "Prince of Thieves," "The Town" is a successfully seat-gripping adaptation directed and co-written by Ben Affleck. It's a megamonster of film genres crammed into one riveting experience, blending action, romance and drama into one tantalizing movie morsel.

The town — Charlestown, Mass., to be exact — is the "capital of crime" and serves as the dreary backdrop of our tale. It's a wounded city, festering with violence and misery, and through its veins pump the poisons of indifference. Criminal hierarchy dominates the city streets, where MacRay and Coughlin execute their robberies and obey the laws of a tyrannical and corrupt crime system.

The movie dances a fine line between seriousness and satire. The masks the thieves wear range from eerie to sacrilegious to scathingly ironic. The dialogue is rough, witty and well-delivered and the camera weaves seamlessly from scene to scene, providing glossy transition to a notably coarse film.

The character development is intricate and extremely well conceived, and the script never encounters a hiccup or sag. Renner breathes life into Coughlin expertly, bringing welcomed dimension to a brutal, hot-blooded character. Affleck is striking as well, giving arguably the best performance of his career as the weary and ill-fated

This film seizes you with its enthralling action sequences and suspends you with its romantic tension. MacRay and Keesey's blossoming, controversial love is a surprisingly touching story. It is natural, believable and grippingly raw. Cleverly disguised inside of an intensely manly film, the nuances of their love prove poignant, and Keesey's soft, understated beauty adds to the realness. It's a romance men cannot snicker at.

"The Town" challenges its viewers, daring them to distinguish black from white. It leaves you disoriented within its concrete walls, unsure as to whether your sympathies truly rest with the justice-seeking FBI agents or with the two men they are desperately trying to capture. In truth, among the cracked sidewalks and bruised society, "The Town's" warped sense of good and bad is as infinitely ambiguous as its soul.

Grade: B+

# 'Eat Pray Love' album presents world music

By Tara Steuerwald Contributor

Unless you've been living in a cave, completely devoid of any outlet for entertainment news, you know that the latest best-seller to hit the big screen is Elizabeth Gilbert's "Eat Pray Love," an inspiring memoir of the author's post-divorce trip around the world.

#### **ALBUM REVIEW**

Pulsing with girl power, spontaneity and the freedom of simply letting yourself go, "Eat Pray Love" serves as a sort of feminist manifesto rich in colorful culture and a powerful range of emotion. Accordingly, the music from the motion picture conveys those very

I have yet to see the movie, but if it is as fun and adventurously eclectic as the soundtrack suggests, I wouldn't mind forking over five dollars to check it out.

The music from "Eat Pray Love" is a broad assortment of fascinating culture, folksy crooning and funky crowd-pleasers blended perfectly to send you on your own minivacation. Forget waiting at airport security for two and a half hours behind the lady who just can't seem to figure out what she's wearing to set the metal detector off. The "Eat Pray Love" soundtrack has all the splendor of jet-setting to the world's most spectacular places, without the inconveniences.

Josh Rouse prepares you for takeoff with his tranquil "Flight Attendant." Rouse's buttery vocals and the mellow tune behind it are like curling up with a feathery pillow and cup of chamomile tea.

Two cultural stand-outs are Gato Barbieri's "Last Tango in Paris," a theatrical composition interspersed with a romantic Parisian accordion, and "Kaliyugavaradana," a kind of Indian dance party by U. Srinivas. Both were effective in their ability to share glimpses into another life and I didn't even mind the absence of lyrics, which may have bored me

The liberating folk styles of Eddie Vedder and Neil Young, who both have two songs on the sound track, will take you back to free love and VW vans while mirroring the free-spiritedness put forth by the story. The music supervisors must have been abiding by the cardinal rule of arrangement when they added Sly & The Family Stone and Marvin Gaye to the mix: when in doubt, get funky. Who doesn't love the feel-good "Thank You Fallettin Me Be Mice Elf Again" or the soulfully catchy "Gotta Give It Up"?

All in all, the soundtrack is enjoyable. It's not something I would regularly listen to and is obviously aimed at an older age group, but it's interesting and enlightening nonetheless. The diversity of the songs is exciting and educational (in a good way), and the arrangement as a whole is a fair representation of the story it's born from. I would recommend it to expand your musical horizons or, if nothing else, to look cool and evolved when your friend flips through your iPod and sees the Wiener Philharmoniker. Never underestimate the power of



McClatchy-Tribune

Julia Roberts arrives at a photo call with (left to right) Spanish actor Javier Bardem, director Ryan Murphy, film producer, Dede Gadner and actor Richard Jenkins promoting their film 'Eat, Pray, Love' at 58th San Sebastian Film Festival Cinema in San Sebastian, Spain on Monday, Sept. 20.

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# BU drops conference home opener to No. 10 Cyclones

By RACHEL ROACH SPORTS WRITER

After a 1-3 (21-25, 20-25, 25-22, 25-19) loss against the Iowa State Cyclones on Wednesday, Baylor remains optimistic and thankful for the competition.

"We all came together, even though we didn't win, it was still productive," said junior hitter Allison King.

The Bears won the first game with a solid offensive performance. Hitting with an 80 percent attack average and accumulating 16 kills, the team started out fast and took the momentum.

King and senior middle blocker Elizabeth Graham led the offense with respective .667 and .400 kill percentages. King and senior defensive specialist Caitlyn Trice took charge on defense accumulating 7 and 9 digs, respectively.

Sophomore setter Katie Harris claims the first match's win came from the Bears ability to take control. "In that first set we played more of our game," Harris said.

However, as time went on Baylor was unable to take over the remaining sets. Harris attributes the lapse to not making adjustments soon enough.

After a consistent back and forth fight for points in the second set, Baylor was unable to take control and ended at a 20-25 defeat. Graham helped the team with her 7 kills and second highest attack percentage.

"We'll get leads. We'll work really hard, and then give up a run to give them back the lead," said head coach Jim Barnes. "When we learn how to manage that we won't let

In the third set, the team let themselves get into another deficit. The Bears never quite took the lead even though there were some runs that had potential.

Senior outside hitter Ashlie Christenson, King and Graham lead with double digit kills and Campbell's service ace gave the team hope for improving their serving.

"We're definitely trying to work on tougher serves because that gets us a lot of points but we just have to be more consistent with keeping them in," said Harris.

The fourth set looked hopeful for the Bears with their 13-7 lead. Byrd and Christenson each had three kills early in the set. However, Iowa had an 8-0 run, followed later by a 4-0 run, that ended the match for the Bears.

There was a great level of play as the bears took No. 10 Iowa to four sets versus a clean sweep by the No. 8 Longhorns.

Baylor stayed close throughout the match with Iowa. Christensen claims that the ladies performed really well playing as "one team."

The Bears agree that they just need to work on getting the motivation to pull through tough spots in games and stop giving up consecutive points. Barnes said that skill comes with experience and chemistry of the team.

Barnes sees the season going well if the team keeps progressing they way they have against such highly ranked teams.

"Not many teams ever play three top 10 teams in a row, and hopefully what it's going to do for us is accelerate us as far as getting better," said Barnes. "We're a lot better today than we were against



No. 8 outside hitter Allison King spikes the ball Wednesday during the game against Iowa State. The Bears lost 3 sets to 1 against the Cyclones

Texas, and if we continue to get better and shorten those runs, then we'll beat the teams we should beat.

The players remain confident as well. Christenson claims that "it's not going to be very long before we take over."

The Bears are set to play No. 4 Nebraska at 7 p.m. on Saturday at

Baylor	Match Stats	Iowa State
58	Kills	58
.250	Hitting Percentage	.261
84	Digs	86
15	Blocks	15
2	Aces	7

#### Golf takes 5th in Iowa

By Tyler Alley REPORTER

Baylor men's golf finished fifth Tuesday at Golfweek's Conference Challenge in Riverside, Iowa, matching its finish at last year's tournament at the same course.

Golfstat, a NCAA golf ranking organization, released its initial 2010-2011 standings Wednesday, ranking Baylor 22nd in the nation among more than 250 Division I men's golf teams.

The Bears carded a 5-underpar 859, Baylor's best 54-hole score in nearly two years. However, the Bears suffered from a lack of consistency throughout the tournament, which hurt their score, said head coach Greg Priest.

"We didn't get off to a good start again [Tuesday]," Priest said in a press release. "Towards the end, we bounced back and got it to 9-under, but then we had four bogeys to close out the round."

Host school Iowa dominated the tournament by carding a 31-under-par 833, 15 strokes ahead of second-place North Carolina State. The Hawkeyes had two players tie as individual champions. Liberty University finished third with a 9-under-par 855, carding 17-under-par in the final round with all but one player shooting under par. New Mexico finished fourth with a 6-under-par 858, one stroke ahead of Baylor.

Pordenone, Italy, junior Lorenzo Scotto carded a 5-under-par 211 and tied for 6th, both career

round from being 2-over-par on the 17th hole by carding an eagle on the 18th and then hitting two consecutive birdies to finish with a 1-under-par 71. He was the only Baylor golfer to shoot below par all three rounds, including a 3-underpar 69 on the first day.

Scotto and his teammates were unavailable for comment after the tournament, but Priest spoke at length about his players' performances.

and expect from him," Priest said. "He was 1-over for a long time, but in the end, he put a really solid round together [Sunday]. That's what a veteran does."

Drammen Norway junior Ioa kim Mikkelsen carded 3-underpar 213, tying him for 15th place, his 14th career top 15 finish. Mikkelsen excelled in the first round when he scored a 4-under-par 68 through 18 holes, tying him for third at the time. He hit three birdies in a row on holes seven through nine and showed major improve-

ment in the eyes of his coach. "[Mikkelsen] hit the pin on 16 and it flung off the green," Priest said. "If something like that happened in the past, he would have unraveled and let it get away. Instead, the [16th hole] was his only bogey of the day; he didn't let it

bests. He battled back in the final

"Lorenzo did what we need

bother him at all."

Trenton, Mich., senior and Michigan State transfer Payne Gniewek carded a 2-under-par 214 and tying for 17th. Gniewek

Senior Payne Gniewek takes a stroke at last year's NCAA championship. Gniewek shot a team-low, 4-under-par 68 in his last round at the Golfweek Conference Challenge and tied for 17th overall

shot the team-low score in the final round with a 4-under-par 68. He and Graham senior Drew McGee started strong in the first round to help Baylor lead at one point, but both faltered on the back nine and finished over par on the day.

McGee, who was making his first career appearance in the starting lineup, carded a 14-over-par 230 and tied for 62nd place. Salado sophomore Ryan O'Rear finished with a 10-over-par 226 and tied for

Baylor shot a 3-under-par 285 on the first day to tie the team for

third then carded even-par in the second round and fell to fourth place. The team finished fifth overall with a last day score of 2-under-

"We still have some things to work on, but I liked our team's effort - this is a group that doesn't quit," Priest said. "This is the just first tournament of the year. We'll make some corrections, tee it up again and go from there."

The men's tournament is the William H. Tucker Intercollegiate, held Oct. 1-2 in Albuquerque,

### Nebraska, Colorado forfeit millions to Big 12 for 2011 departures

By Chuck Carlton McClatchy Newspapers

The timetable for the leaner Big 12 was finalized Tuesday, with a 10-school conference for 2011-12, minus Colorado and Nebraska.

The announcement brings closure to a turbulent process that started with the Pac-10 targeting six Big 12 members this summer and threatening the conference's very survival.

"We're very excited about our future," Big 12 commissioner Dan Beebe said. "The delay in going forward...as a 10-team conference was going to be problematic. That's what motivated us to work hard to go forward next year as soon as possible."

President Ken Starr played a role in the Big 12 negotiations, as was reported by Baylor Proud in an e-mail sent to students on Wednesday.

"President Starr's diplomacy, experience and legal acumen were of great benefit to the Big 12 during this process," Beebe said to Baylor Proud.

Nebraska, which will leave for the Big Ten on June 30, 2011, agreed Tuesday that it will forfeit \$9.255 million in conference revenue distribution. The penalty

will be reduced by \$500,000 if the Cornhuskers are one of two Big 12 football teams to reach a BSC

Colorado's Board of Regents approved terms of the school's departure for the Pac-12 after the 2010-11 season, joining fellow newcomer Utah.

The Buffaloes will forgo \$6.863 million in conference revenue distribution. With Colorado's exit date now confirmed, the Big 12 can avoid an awkward scheduling format with 11 teams for 2011-12.

The remaining Big 12 schools will divide the \$16 million with a formula to be determined, Beebe

While the \$16 million is significantly less in early-exit penalties than the \$30 million originally projected, the settlements avoid legal action.

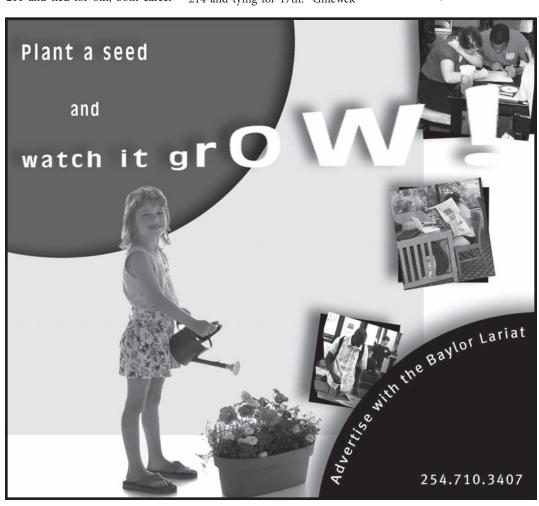
"As a law professor and a lawyer, I think we had significant arguments that would prevent us from paying any penalty," Nebraska chancellor Harvey Perlman said at a news conference.

Beebe indicated that conference athletic directors will meet next week to finalize a round-robin football schedule for 2011.

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ea Chapter Red Cross emerncy services director, said fedal assistance would be helpful to milies in these counties because any of those affected were not quired to have flood insurance. "Any assistance that our pub-

officials can provide would be lpful, particularly because a of these homes were not in an ea that was designated for flood surance," DeMeritt said. "If the congressional delegation is successful in making a case to the president, I am sure that he will do the right thing.'

Earl Armstrong, spokesman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency regional office in Denton, said FEMA encourages everyone to get flood insurance.

"The most common disaster in the U.S. is flooding, that's why we urge people, no matter where they live, to purchase flood insurance,"

Armstrong said. "Because not every flood results in a presidential disaster declaration, and even then, that won't put everything back where it was."

Bell County and Hill County, two of the 13 counties being considered for the disaster declaration, fell under the jurisdiction of the Heart of Texas Area Chapter

DeMeritt said the chapter recorded damages and provided services to more than 60 cases in Central Texas and also opened a shelter in Belton where meals were provided.

"We did record quite a number of people's homes damaged, having major damage or being classified as destroyed," DeMeritt said. "We've seen everything from houses that have just a few inches of water in them to houses that have been washed off their foun-

In determining whether a disaster declaration will be issued, various factors are taken into consideration, Armstrong said. These include the populations affected, the amount of insurance in effect, how widespread the disaster is, the concentration of the disaster and whether any other disasters are occurring in the state.

Preliminary damage assessment teams have been working for several days to assess the area, Armstrong said.

If a disaster declaration is made, Armstrong said those affected by flooding could receive grants for minor home repairs and needs assistance for funeral expenses or the replacement of items such as dentures or glasses, among other types of assistance from FEMA.

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graduate school and will start an internship at a Houston accounting firm in the spring.

"There's a lot of cutbacks, and it's affected my job search," Moore said. "The accounting department does recruiting and sets up interviews to prepare. It definitely helped me get the internship."

Dr. Steve Green, professor of economics, said economic recovery is not an immediate, but rather a steady expansion.

"Because the recession is declared over doesn't mean the economy is back. It just quit shrinking," Green said. "It's more about the direction of where the economy is going than a measure of where it is."

Green said when examining the economy, economists focus on three things: rate of production growth, inflation and unemployment. He said signs of a good economy are fast growth, a low unemployment rate and low inflation.

"The economy is still in a difficult situation and not back to where it was before," Green said. "It has taken a long time for confidence to return to a normal level, but it's encouraging to see that it's turning

Gardner said even though the economy is in a period of expansion, that doesn't mean economic problems like unemployment will go away quickly.

"When the economy turns around you don't start adding jobs quickly. Because companies have found ways to operate efficiently, they are slow to hire back," Gardner said. "They take advantage of the efficiency and don't want to lay off again if the economy declines again and another recession arises."

Gardner said the unemployment rate won't decline and may even increase after a recession.

"The Bureau of Labor Statistics doesn't count people not searching for jobs," Gardner said. "So when people hear the recession is over, they start looking [for jobs] again making the [unemployment] rate rise at the beginning of recovery."

There's a cycle of unemployment, Gardner said. After layoffs, employers become profitable again. If sales continue to grow, they hire more people to increase production.

"Companies must restructure and develop new products and need employees to help them do that," Gardner said. "When times are good, they tend to overestimate and hire too many people, and when times are bad, they tend to fire too many people."

Gardner said the recovery will be slow, especially because of the forces that caused it.

"The decline is so big it won't quickly reverse itself," Gardner said. "The economy is basically going through big structural change, and it will take time to strengthen it."

# Obama defends U.S. approach to world aid at U.N.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

UNITED NATIONS - President Barack Obama on Wednesday defended U.S. aid to impoverished people even during sour economic times at home yet promised a sterner approach, favoring nations that commit to democracy and econom-

Addressing world leaders, Obama offered no new commitments of U.S. dollars, but rather a blueprint of the development policy that will drive his government's efforts and determine where the money flows. His message was that the United States wants to help countries help themselves, not offer aid that provides short-term relief without reforming societies.

"That's not development, that's dependence," Obama said. "And it's a cycle we need to break. Instead of just managing poverty, we have to offer nations and people a path out of poverty."

Obama spoke at a major antipoverty summit convened by the United Nations, one day ahead of his main speech to the U.N. General Assembly. The president is in the midst of a three-day trip to the U.N. for its annual meeting.

World leaders on Wednesday were wrapping up an intensive review of the poverty reduction

goals adopted 10 years ago, a highly ambitious effort that has yielded mixed results. The mission is to cut extreme poverty, reduce child and maternal mortality and expand primary education, among other objectives, by 2015.

The president, met by applause as he took the grand U.N. stage, sought to elevate the mission of U.S. development.

Noting the Americans hurting at home, where a recession has eroded millions of jobs, Obama defended the spending of U.S. tax dollars to help others build up their agriculture, transportation and health systems. He called it not just a moral imperative but an investment that can help the global economy and reduce the threats of instability and

"Let's put to rest the old myth that development is mere charity that does not serve our interests,"

The White House framed the president's blueprint as a fresh, far-reaching approach to helping other countries, although it builds on programs of other presidents. Obama sought to offer a sense of clarity of why the United States aids other nations, saying it is "rooted in America's enduring commitment to the dignity and potential of every

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there would be a competition between kickers, last man standing," Trahan said. "Just about every day he was that guy."

Trahan attributes Jones' success to leg strength and accuracy, but also to a mental characteristic invaluable to kickers. "It's almost weird how nothing

really affects him," Trahan said. "I could even be nervous and he is just like, 'All right, man, let's just punch this in.' I guess that's just his personality."

When it comes to personality, Jones likes things to flow a certain

"I really just try to stay in a pattern," he said.

"When I actually kick a field goal I try to focus on taking the same steps back, lining up the same way, taking the same deep breath, in the same order."

Though rhythm keeps the

kicker focused, the routine doesn't keep the aviation science major from laughing at himself sometimes, too.

"I have been wearing these socks for some time," he said, glancing down at a patch of bare skin poking through the heel of his sock. "They have got some holes in

Though just in his first year, Jones knows it takes more than a lucky pair of socks to keep hitting field goals when the Bears need him most.

For now though, he will settle with the starting job, a nickname and the respect of his coaches.

"I don't really mind," he said, when asked about being called 'Stork.' "As long as it makes Coach Briles happy, he is the important one. I'm glad ... that the team and especially the coaches have that confidence in me."

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The banking industry remains optimistic about the decline and is waiting for the market to reach a steady level of improvement.

"From a banking standpoint we feel optimistic, and most builders seem to think things are moving well and they feel that a lot of positive things are happening for Waco," Monte Hulse, chairman of the board for the First National Bank of Central Texas, said.

Kathy Schroeder, vice president of residential services at Coldwell Banker Jim Stewart, Realtors, also remains positive about the decline and said she already sees higher sales in the real estate area. Sales are expected to increase during the winter months as more people decide to "nest" in Waco, Schroeder said.

When asked if the Greater Downtown Waco Master Plan will aid future economic growth, Roberts said that although the plan will help in the long-term growth of the economy, it will not make a significant difference within the next few months.

"We expect permit values to increase with the master plan within the next five years," Roberts said.

The First National Bank of Central Texas and the Waco Tribune-Herald plan to continue holding these monthly economic updates, which serve to inform the affected economic sectors of the community as well as the community itself.

"We are really pleased to be able to do this with the Waco Tribune-Herald," Hulse said.

"We are excited to do this, and as we get into it we hope it will make us more educated and feel good or be concerned, and to do something